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3. (Amended) Device according to one of Claims 1 and 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the metallic alloy is a steel.

4. (Amended) Device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 3, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the substrate (2) is connected to the current source (1, 8).

5. (Amended) Device according to Claim 4, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the substrate (2) forms one of the said two electrodes.

6. (Amended) Device according to Claim 4, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the substrate (2) is in electrically conductive contact with one of the said two electrodes (3) and forms a current feed for it.

7. (Amended) Device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 3, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the substrate (2) supports one of the said two electrodes (3), which is connected to the current source (1, 8).

8. (Amended) Device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 6, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the substrate (2) is formed by a steel sheet which has undergone a surface treatment.

9. (Amended) Device according to Claim 8, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the substrate (2) which has undergone a surface treatment has superficially in the steel sheet a compound which is a conductor of electricity (10).

10. (Amended) Device according to Claim 8, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the steel sheet has a surface coating which is a conductor of electricity (3, 9, 12).

11. (Amended) Device according to Claim 10, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the surface coating comprises at least one layer of a material chosen from amongst the group consisting of zinc, zinc alloyed with aluminium, aluminium, magnesium, calcium, tin and chromium.

12. (Amended) Device according to Claim 10, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the surface coating consists of at least one layer of at least one conductive polymer.

13. (Amended) Device according to Claim 12, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the said at least one conductive polymer is chosen from amongst the group consisting of polyacetylene, polyaniline, polypyrrole, polythiophene, derivatives thereof and mixtures thereof.

14. (Amended) Device according to ~~any one of Claims 8 to 13, characterised in that~~ claim 8, wherein the substrate (2) is made from steel treated so as to reflect a light emitted from the said at least one layer of organic electroluminescent semiconductor (4, 4', 4").

15. (Amended) Device according to ~~any one of Claims 2 to 14, characterised in that~~ claim 2, wherein the second electrode (5) has, opposite the substrate (2), an encapsulation (6) made from a transparent material impervious to air and water.

16. (Amended) Device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 15, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the substrate (2) has two parts, an electrically conductive part which supports the said device and which is possibly connected to the current source and a part remaining electrically insulated vis-à-vis the outside.

17. (Amended) Device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 15, characterised in that~~ claim 1, wherein the substrate has a first surface on which it supports the said device and a second surface, opposite to the first, on which it supports an additional electroluminescent device according to Claim 1.

19. (Amended) Method according to Claim 18, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the substrate consists of a steel sheet.

20. (Amended) Method according to one of Claims 18 and 19, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said arrangement of a first electrode comprises an activation of the steel sheet to make it able to fulfil a role of first electrode ~~and in that~~, the method comprises an electrical connection between the electrical current source and the steel sheet.

21. (Amended) Method according to one of Claims 18 and 19, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein ~~the~~ said arrangement of a first electrode comprises an application of the first electrode to a surface of the substrate.

22. (Amended) Method according to ~~one of Claims 18 to 21, characterised in that it comprises~~ claim 18, comprising first of all a surface treatment of the substrate.

23. (Amended) Method according to Claim 22, ~~characterised in that it comprises~~comprising, by way of surface treatment, a surface coating of the substrate by at least one electrically conductive compound.

24. (Amended) Method according to Claim 22, ~~characterised in that it comprises~~comprising, by way of surface treatment, an enrichment of the substrate, at least on the surface, with an electrically conductive compound.

25. (New) Method according to claim 18, further comprising a deposition of a transparent material impervious to air and water on the second electrode, so as to encapsulate the device.